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RE: Third Five-Year Review
Allegany Ballistics Laboratory; Site 1 (OU-3), Site 5 (OU-1, OU-2) and Site 10 (OU-5)
Rocket Center, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Helbling:

Thank you for submitting the report, entitled *Comprehensive Five-Year ROD Review Report, Third Five-Year ROD Review*, dated August 2008 to the EPA for review and concurrence. The report was prepared to fulfill the requirements of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 121 (c) to review Remedial Actions where hazardous substances remain every five years to assure that human health and the environment are being protected. EPA has reviewed this five-year review report and compared it to EPA's June 2001 guidance document, *Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance* (OSWER No. 9355.7-03B-P, EPA 540-R-01-007).

EPA concurs with the Navy's determination that the remedies for the Operable Units (OUs) reviewed in the report, OUs 1, 2, 3 and 5, are protective of human health and the environment. Furthermore, as part of this five-year review, EPA has evaluated the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) measures for the above-listed OUs and has determined their status is as follows:

Environmental Indicators

1. Human Health: Current Human Exposure Controlled
2. Groundwater Migration: Groundwater Migration Under Control

Sitewide Ready for Anticipated Use

The Site is not Site-Wide Ready for Anticipated Use, but is expected to be on June 1, 2020.

The requirement for this five-year review at Allegany Ballistics Laboratory was triggered by the Remedial Action start date of July 10, 1997 at OU-1. A previous five-year review report was completed and signed by the Navy on September 15, 2003. EPA's concurrence with the previous (second) five-year review report was submitted at that time. The next five-year review will be due five years from the date of this concurrence letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Ben Mykijewycz, Chief of the NPL/BRAC Federal Facilities Branch, at 215.814.3351 or Sun Yi at 215.814.3377.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James J. Burke". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "Burke" clearly legible.

James J. Burke, Director
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